

# MINUTES

## Workforce Connection Of Central New Mexico Youth Council

Thursday, September 9, 2004  
4:00 pm

MRCOG, 317 Commercial NE, First Floor Board Room



**Call to Order-** 4:06- by Mary Lee Martin

**Roll Call and Determination of Quorum-** Ramona Chavez

### **Present**

Mary Lee Martin  
Karen Couch  
Bob Davey  
Gwen Manfre  
Marty Mondragon  
Tom Savage

***Quorum was Noted***

### **Absent**

Nancy Greene  
Maria Rinaldi  
John Sapien

**Approval of Thursday, September 9, 2004 Agenda**

**Motion: Karen Couch**

**Second: Tom Savage**

**No Discussion**

**Action: Passed by Voice Vote**

Tab 1. **Approval of Thursday, April 8, 2004 Minutes**

Tab 2. **Approval of Wednesday, June 2, 2004 Minutes**

Tab 3. **Approval of Thursday, August 12, 2004 Minutes**

**Motion to approve all Minutes: Tom Savage**

**Second: Karen Couch**

**No Discussion**

**Action: Passed by Voice Vote**

## DISCUSSION ITEMS

Tab 4. **Nominations and Procedure for Nominations of Youth Council Members**-by Mary Lee Martin and Jerilynn Sans

- Youth Council nomination process was explained to the Council
- Mary Lee Martin encouraged the Council to find nominees that would be actively involved and willing to attend regular meetings.

Tab 5. **PY03 Youth Contractor Closeout Reports**- by Ramona Chavez

- Ms. Chavez explained that this report would be provided at the next scheduled Youth Council Meeting as the information is currently being compiled due to transition.

## REPORTS

- **Administrative Reports**- by Ramona Chavez
  - YDI and MRCOG staff is currently working together to clean-up transition participant numbers and VOSS reports.

**Discussion and Questions Followed**

## FINAL ACTION ITEMS

Tab 6. **Approval of WFCP-18-04, WCCNM Contract with School to Main**- Background and Introduction by Ramona Chavez, and Jerilynn Sans

- School to Main, the Contractor, will provide a professional facilitator who will work directly with the WCCNM.
- The Contractor will plan and deliver a two-day onsite visit on dates determined by the WCCNM and the Youth Council, focusing on review of findings from goals established at the November Youth Summit and recommendations for future work.
- This visit will help the staff and the Youth Council to use the tools developed to further develop systems approaches for effective youth service delivery.

**Discussion and Questions Followed**

**Motion: Bob Davey**

**Second: Karen Couch**

**Discussion Followed**

**Action: Passed by voice vote**

Tab 7. **Approval of WCCNM Participating in “About Face: A Program of the National Guard”**- Presentation was conducted by About Face contractors

- About Face! was presented as a program that would provide at-risk youth ages 16-18 a supportive environment in which socially and financially challenged youth can build a foundation to become skilled and successful citizens.
- This program would follow WIA youth eligibility requirements and provide all 10 WIA elements to eligible youth.

**Discussion and Questions Followed Presentation**

- The Youth Council had questions and concerns regarding the cost of the program, whether it would provide services to rural areas, duplication of services and YDI's involvement with the program.
- The Youth Council would like staff to research these questions and provide more information on this program. This subject will be revisited at the October meeting.

**Motion to Table this item until October meeting- Karen Couch**

**Second- Gwen Manfre**

**Action- Passed by voice vote**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT/ADJOURNMENT**

**Public Comment- None**

**Adjournment- 5:45 pm**

#### **NOTES**

**Next Meeting:**

**Date: October 14, 2004**

**Time: 4:00 pm**

**Location: Mid-Region Council of Governments**

**A more detailed account of the meeting and discussions are available for review at the MRCOG offices at: 317 Commercial NE, Suite 104 Albuquerque, NM 87102**